

Remarks

By the foregoing Amendment, Claims 1, 6 and 7 are amended and Claims 5 and 8 are cancelled. Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter was added by the amendment, as all of the amended matter was either previously illustrated or described in the drawings, written specification and/or claims of the present application. Entry of the amendment and favorable consideration thereof is earnestly requested.

The Examiner objected to claim 8 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but indicated that it would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 8 and intervening claim 5.

For this reason, applicant submits that Claims 1-8 and 13, all of the claims currently pending in the application, are in order for allowance, and early notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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